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SUBJECT: VISIT OF USS KEARSARGE - EMBASSY MANAGUA SUPPORT

REF: SECSTATE 22148

- 11. (U) We greatly appreciate the opportunity to host the USS Kearsarge and welcome the request to provide a foreign policy advisor (POLAD) to the Command Element during its upcoming deployment to Nicaragua. Nicaragua's spot at the front of the deployment requires that we staff the POLAD position for nearly the entire month of August. Given the length of this mission and the fact it falls in the midst of our peak Summer rotation schedule, the Country Team has decided to divide the assignment between two officers.
- 12. (SBU) Our Deputy Political Counselor, Jesse Curtis, will plan to meet the ship in Miami NLT August 8 and ride the ship home. Mr. Curtis will remain on the ship until o/a August 16 when he will be relieved by Political Officer Michael Garcia, who will remain on-board until relieved by POLAD from Embassy Bogota.
- 13. (U) Embassy Managua POC is Dep Political Counselor, Jesse Curtis. email: CurtisJS@state.sgov.gov; CurtisJS@state.gov; phone 505/252-7128 (w) 505/810-3928 (cell) TRIVELLI